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Hot Health Care Jobs in Wisconsin

Will there be a job for you when you finish school? The Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development has just updated its list of high growth occupations. These are the jobs which will see the largest percentage of increase in openings between now and the year 2016 – about the time high school students will finish college-level training and start looking for a full-time job. Of the top 25 high growth occupations, an amazing 20 are in jobs that are related to health care!

In the field of nursing; registered nurses, home health aides, and personal and home care aides made the list. As our aging population increases, more care will be delivered in the patient's home in order to reduce the cost of care. Related to this population is the increasing need for physical therapy aides, physical therapy assis-

tants, and physical therapists – all three made the list.

Have you thought about a career in teeth? It seems that as we are all living longer, we will need more dental visits than ever before! More dental assistants and dental hygienists will be needed.

If you prefer a hospital or clinic setting, look at a career as a physician's assistant, radiation therapist, respiratory therapist, or surgical technologist.

Finally, a growing acceptance of mental health care will be seen in an increased need for marriage and family therapists, substance abuse counselors, and social and human service assistants. But don't take my word for it! Check out the details yourself on Wisconsin's WORKnet website. In addition to the list of careers, you



Is There A Hot Job In Your Future?

can watch a video about each one, read about the skills needed, and even see current job postings for each county in WI. Now that's what I call a hot topic! (<http://worknet.wisconsin.gov>)

Our WI HOSA President Becomes National HOSA Officer

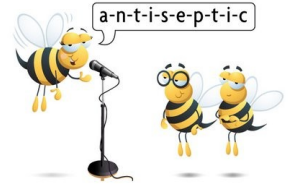
Wisconsin HOSA congratulates its prior State President, Nzuekoh Nchinda, on being elected to the National HOSA Executive Council. She is currently serving as Region II Vice-President. Nzuekoh Nchinda has had the honor of serving twice on the Wisconsin HOSA Executive Council, first as the State Special Projects Coordinator and then as State President the following year. Having been

elected a national officer, Nzuekoh now plays a prime role in the organization and will assist in making the critical decisions that will guide HOSA chapters throughout the country. Nzuekoh graduated from Oak Creek High School last May and is attending Harvard this year. Read more about this amazing member on our National HOSA website www.hosa.org.



Interview with Top Speller in the Nation

We caught up with top medical speller, Rachel Her for a quick interview about national competition. Read on



Congratulations to Rachel Her from Monona Grove High School, gold medal winner of the HOSA National Conference Medical Spelling event!

1. What medical related classes have you taken prior to your competition?

I took all the medical classes my high school had to offer, including Sports Medicine, Nursing Aide, Medical Terminology, and Medical Occupations I and II. I also took a science course in Anatomy and Physiology.

2. How did you prepare for your competition?

To prepare, I actually used my old Med Terms book. I looked up and memorized word parts so I could pick apart words based on their meanings. I also simply spelled many aloud.

3. What was the hardest word you had to spell?

Honestly, I can't recall. I was in such an adrenaline rush that it is hard to even remember what the winning word for nationals was! There is also quite a bit of luck of the draw involved, as drawing numbers out of a hat is how they determined the word you spelled.

4. What did you like the best about nationals?

It was very fun. There were a lot of people and competitions going on. Everyone was so nice and it was kind of a go-at-your-own-pace style of conference. There's always something to do or see! Also Florida weather and attractions were fabulous. Harry Potter World and Disney World are great places to hang out.

5. What career(s) in the medical field interests you?

I'm interested in becoming a family practitioner. Specializations are nice and all, but I think that being the forefront of preventative care is important, as well as family practitioners being a job that is in real demand.

6. How do you think HOSA would prepare you for your future goals?

HOSA is a great way to ease one's self into the world of medicine. Learning the basics of different occupations, common terms, and how to actually apply medical training like CPR and AED use is a great stepping stone to higher places. Personally, I learned so many things from HOSA, and it's not only medical related information. I learned how to be a leader and how to work in a team, two skills that I think are very important in the medical field.

Congratulations Rachel! Thank you for great advice!

And Meet our WI HOSA President and Vice President

Nancy Gu

Hey HOSA Members! I'm a senior at James Madison Memorial High School. I play tennis, run track, and cross country. I love going for long runs early in the morning or late at night. The one thing I can't live without is my iPod. I love all different kinds of music. I have an eclectic taste for everything.

Joohee Son

Hello to all fellow HOSA members! My name is Joohee Son, and I would like to welcome you to the 2010-2011 HOSA. I am honored to be serving as your 2010-2011 State President.

Before I continue on about

HOSA, let me give you a little bit of information about myself. I am a senior at Oak Creek High School, where I also serve as the president for our chapter. I am involved in many activities throughout my school and community such as band, Model UN, National Honor Society, volunteering, and Milwaukee Youth Symphony Orchestra in the Chamber Flute Ensemble.

I learned that HOSA is more than just a simple health oriented organization. In fact, HOSA has shaped the person and leader that I am today. I encourage all of you to enjoy HOSA and all it has to offer, from Leadership Lab to the National Leadership Conference. I look forward to seeing all of you and sharing a wonderful year! Let's have some fun!

Medical Bloopers of the Month

I admitted a man to the hospital with chest pain. I think his family history was positive. He told me his father died from "digestive heart failure." Sounded pretty severe to me.

"HOSA has been a life changing experience for me."

~ Joohee Son

